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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner for a two-month extension of time for responding to the Office Action dated July 18, 2006, extending the statutory period of response from October 18, 2006 to December 18, 2006.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1896 during the pendency of prosecution of this application. Should such additional fees be associated with an extension of time, applicant respectfully requests that this paper be considered a petition therefor. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for the Deposit Account, should it be needed.

Respectfully submitted,

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